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**PROTEINS** 

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

### AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

The following is responsive to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent Office on June 14, 2000. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in light of the amendments and remarks made herein. Please extend the date for response by two months up to and including November 14, 2000. A petition for two months extension of time is enclosed. Please charge deposit account number 20-0531 for the fees associated with the petition for extension of time. Applicants believe that no other fees are due. If the Applicants are in error, please charge deposit account number 20-0531.

#### In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

On page 1 of the specification following the title, please insert -- This application is a divisional application of U.S.S.N. 08/915,004, filed February 20, 1996, which was a 35 U.S.C. §371 filing of PCT JP96/00374, filed February 20, 1996 which claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 to JP 54977/1995 filed February 20, 1995 and JP 207508, filed July 21, 1995.--

#### In the claims:

Please cancel claims 35-40 and 47-108 without prejudice to their entry into this or a related application.